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ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE SECOND PART OF ITS THIRTY-THIRD SESSION

Draft report

Rapporteur: Mr. Wolfgang STÖCKL (Germany)

I. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

1. The Committee for Programme and Coordination (CPC) held the second part of its thirty-third session at United Nations Headquarters from 6 to 22 October 1993. It held ... meetings (12th-... meetings).

A. Agenda

2. The agenda for the second part of the thirty-third session is reproduced in annex I to the present report.

B. Attendance

3. The following States members of the Committee were represented:

Bahamas
Brazil
Bulgaria
Burundi
Chile
China
Colombia
Congo
Egypt
France
Germany
Ghana
India
Indonesia
Iraq
Italy
Japan
Kenya
Netherlands
Nicaragua
Nigeria
Norway
Pakistan
Poland
Republic of Korea
Russian Federation
Togo
Trinidad and Tobago
Uganda
Ukraine
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
United States of America
Uruguay

4. The following States Members of the United Nations were represented by observers:

Algeria	Ecuador	Portugal
Argentina	Greece	Spain
Australia	Hungary	Sweden
Austria	Ireland	Thailand
Bangladesh	Latvia	Tunisia
Belgium	Mexico	Venezuela
Canada	Morocco	
Cuba	Namibia	

5. The following specialized agencies were represented:

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

6. Also present at the session were the Under-Secretary-General for Administration and Management, the Controller and other senior officials of the United Nations Secretariat, including the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), representatives of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE), the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA).

C. Documentation

7. The list of documents before the Committee at the second part of the thirty-third session is set forth in annex II to the present report.

D. Adoption of the report of the Committee

8. At its ... and ... meetings, on 22 October 1993, the Committee adopted the draft report on the second part of its thirty-third session (E/AC.51/1993/L.6 and Add.1-32).

Annex I

Agenda for the second part of the thirty-third session of the Committee

1. Organization of work.

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations.

3. Programme questions:

   (a) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995;

   (b) Prototype of a new format of the medium-term plan;

   (c) Establishment of a system of responsibility and accountability of programme managers of the United Nations.

4. Coordination questions: preparation for the twenty-seventh series of Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Administrative Committee on Coordination.

5. Provisional agenda for the thirty-fourth session of the Committee.

6. Adoption of the report on the second part of its thirty-third session.

Annex II

List of documents before the Committee at the second part of its thirty-third session

A/48/6		Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995
		Introduction and overview
	Section 1	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination
	Section 2	United Nations integrated offices
	Section 3	Political affairs
	Section 4	Peace-keeping operations and special missions
	Section 7	Legal activities
	Section 8	Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development
	Section 9	Department of Economic, Social Information and Policy Analysis
	Section 10	Department of Development Support and Management Services
	Section 11	International trade and development
	Section 12	Environment and human settlements
	Section 13	Crime control
	Section 14	International Drug Control
	Section 15	Economic Commission for Africa
	Section 16	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
	Section 17	Economic Commission for Europe
	Section 18	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
	Section 19	Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
	Section 20	Regular programme of technical cooperation

	Section 21	Human rights
	Section 22	Protection of and assistance to refugees
	Section 23	Department of Humanitarian Affairs
	Section 24	Public Information
A/48/428		Report of the Secretary-General on the restructuring and efficiency of the Secretariat
A/48/281		Report of the Secretary-General on the review of the procedures for the provision of statements of programme budget implications and for the use and operation of the contingency fund
A/48/277		Prototype of a new format of the medium-term plan
A/48/452		Report of the Secretary-General on the establishment of a system of responsibility and accountability of programme managers of the United Nations
A/C.5/48/2		Note by the Secretary-General on procedures and norms for the creation, suppression, reclassification, conversion and redeployment of posts
E/AC.51/1993/1		Provisional agenda
E/AC.51/1993/L.4/Rev.1		Note by the Secretariat on the status of documentation
E/AC.51/1993/L.5/Rev.1		Revised proposed programme of work
E/AC.51/1993/L.6 and Add.1-32		Adoption of the report of the Committee on the second part of its thirty-third session
E/AC.51/1993/L.7		Provisional agenda for the thirty-fourth session of the Committee
E/AC.51/1993/INF/2		List of delegations

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REVIEW OF THE EFFICIENCY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL FUNCTIONING OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Restructuring and efficiency of the Secretariat

1. At its __ meeting, on 15 October 1993, the Committee considered the report of the Secretary-General on restructuring and efficiency of the Secretariat (A/48/428).

Discussion

2. Most delegations expressed the view that the report did not provide an analysis of the effects of restructuring but merely listed measures already taken and known to Member States. It was, therefore, difficult to see what was the programmatic impact of restructuring. A number of delegations felt that many points that Member States had wished to see addressed had been side-stepped. Some delegations expressed concern at the ongoing nature of the restructuring exercise and stressed the need for stability in the Secretariat. Some delegations expressed the view that in outlining the challenges facing the Organization, the issue of economic and social development had virtually been ignored. A number of delegations also felt that the report did not provide adequate information on decentralization as well as the proposed incorporation of the Office of Project Services into the Department of Development Support and Management Services.

3. A number of delegations acknowledged, however, that the time that had elapsed since the commencement of the restructuring did not permit full analysis of its impact.

Conclusions and recommendations

4. The Committee regretted that the report was more descriptive than analytical, reflecting the current state of flux in the Secretariat.

5. The Committee noted with concern that the issue of decentralization was not properly addressed and underlined the need for a prompt presentation of a report on the matter during the forty-eighth session of the General Assembly.

6. The Committee recommended that an analytical report, containing programmatic implications, in line with the request contained in General Assembly resolution 47/212 A of 6 May 1993, be prepared and submitted to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session.